# 4th GRADE

# Suggested Reading List

All books are located in Juvenile Fiction or Juvenile Paperbacks by Author.



# Atwater Mr. Popper's Penguins

The unexpected delivery of a large crate containing an Antarctic penguin changes the life and fortunes of Mr. Popper, a house painter obsessed by dreams of the Polar regions.



#### Birdsall The Penderwicks

While vacationing with their widowed father in the Berkshire Mountains, four lovable sisters, ages four through twelve, share adventures with a local boy, much to the dismay of his snobbish mother.



# Blume Fudge-a-mania

Pete describes the family vacation in Maine with the Tubmans, highlighted by the antics of his younger brother Fudge.



# Frindle Clements Frindle

When he decides to turn his fifth grade teacher's love of the dictionary around on her, clever Nick Allen invents a new word and begins a chain of events that quickly moves beyond his control.



# Dahl Charlie and the Chocolate Factory

Each of five children lucky enough to discover an entry ticket into Mr. Willy Wonka's mysterious chocolate factory takes advantage of the situation in his own way.



## Danziger The Cat Ate My Gymsuit

When the unconventional English teacher who helped her conquer many of her feelings of insecurity is fired, a junior high student uses her new found courage to campaign for the teacher's reinstatement



#### Dicamillo Because of Winn-Dixie

Ten-year-old India Opal Buloni describes her first summer in the town of Naomi, Florida, and all the good things that happen to her because of her big ugly dog Winn-Dixie.



#### Dicamillo The Tale of Desperaux

The adventures of Desperaux Tilling, a small mouse of unusual talents, the princess that he loves, the servant girl who longs to be a princess, and a devious rat determined to bring them all to ruin.



## DiTerlizzi The Field Guide

When the Grace children go to stay at their Great Aunt Lucinda's worn Victorian house, they discover a field guide to fairies and other creatures and begin to have some unusual experiences.



# Fleishman **The Whipping Boy**

A bratty prince and his whipping boy have many adventures when they inadvertently trade places after becoming involved with dangerous outlaws.



#### Howe **Bunnicula**

Though scoffed at by Harold the dog, Chester the cat tries to warn his human family that their foundling baby bunny must be a vampire.



## Lowry **Anastasia Krupnik**

Anastasia's 10th year has some good things like falling in love and really getting to know her grandmother and some bad things like finding out about an impending baby brother.



#### Naylor Shiloh

When he finds a lost beagle in the hills behind his West Virginia home, Marty tries to hide it from his family and the dog's real owner, a mean-spirited man known to shoot deer out of season and to mistreat his dogs.



# Reiche I, Freddy

Freddy, a remarkably intelligent golden hamster, learns how to read and how to write on a computer and escapes captivity to become an independent and civilized creature.



# Ruckman **Night of the Twisters**

A fictional account of the night freakish and devastating tornadoes hit Grand Island, Nebraska, as experienced by a twelve-year-old, his family, and friends.



# Sachar Sideways Stories from Wayside School

Humorous episodes from the classroom on the thirtieth floor of Wayside School, which was accidentally built sideways with one classroom on each story.



# Selden The Cricket in Times

#### Square

A country cricket with unique musical talents lands in the middle of New York's Times Square where he and his new-found friends put his musical talents to use and bring joy to the citizens of New York.



# Snicket The Bad Beginning

After the sudden death of their parents, the three Baudelaire children must depend on each other and their wits when it turns out that the distant relative who is appointed their guardian is determined to use any means necessary to get their fortune.



# **Travers Mary Poppins**

The wind brings two English children a new nanny who slides up the bannister and introduces them to some delightful people and experiences.



#### White Charlotte's Web

Wilbur, the pig, is desolate when he discovers that he is destined to be the farmer's Christmas dinner until his spider friend, Charlotte, decides to help him.

If you need anymore suggestions for good books be sure to stop by the Youth Services desk and ask a librarian!

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